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**EMERGENCY:** Several cows euthanized as blaze quickly destroys barn

## Fire devastates Wainfleet dairy farm



BOB MOOLE/QMI AGENCY NIAGARA

Firefighters are battling a barn fire on Case Rd. in Wainfleet.

**ALLAN BENNER**  
QMI Agency Niagara

A dairy barn filled with cattle was reduced to a smouldering ruin in less than an hour, razed by fire last Monday morning.

Wainfleet firefighters were called to 43484 Case Rd. shortly before noon, and firefighters from Haldimand and Port Colborne were later called in to help extinguish the blaze.

Owen Wobischel described seeing "a mushroom cloud" of black smoke emanating from the barn at the farm run by his cousin Stephen Marr, and drove there to help.

By the time he arrived, he said, the barn was already col-

lapsing.

"There's nothing left," Wobischel said.

As the fire spread through the building, workers at the family-run farm freed as many cows as possible.

Neighbours said as many as 40 head of cattle could have been in the barn at the time.

The cattle, many with visible burns and injuries from the fire, wandered among the hundreds of acres of property surrounding the farm. Several farmers, helped by bystanders, herded the cattle to a neighbour's farm where they were corralled temporarily.

Niagara Regional Police Const. Derek Watson said no people were reported injured

as a result of the fire.

"It looks like there were cows all over the place that they were trying to corral," he said, reading from police reports about the blaze.

Wobischel said some of the cattle had to be euthanized.

"That one is in bad shape," he said, gesturing to one of the herd being led to a farm across the road.

"A police officer came out and got his shotgun. I must have heard five or six shots," Wobischel added.

Const. Rich Gaudreau said police helped the veterinarian euthanize three animals for humane reasons.

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# UPFRONT

**■ BIZ BUZZ**

# Filling a knead in Port Colborne

Every time Fay DeFazio passed by the King St. building, the urge would rise.

She knew she wanted that space. Someday, it would be home to her dream bakery.

Recently, it came up for grabs and DeFazio was ready to roll.

She snapped up the property and began working away to bring her vision to life.

On Saturday, Just Baked officially opened its doors at 517 King St. in Port Colborne.

The bakery and ice cream shop features artisan and traditional breads, pastries, pies and other treats to satisfy any

sweet tooth, as well as about 150 flavours of ice cream.

"This is something I've wanted to do for a long time," DeFazio said while taking a break from her busy day preparing the business for its debut.

Four years ago, she purchased the Market Cafe on Clarence St. She still loves the business, which she continues to run, but always knew her heart belonged to baking.

"I've always loved to bake. It has been my passion for as long as I can remember," she said.

Along with a professional

baker she's hired, she will be responsible for the fresh items put up for sale each day.

"Everything is fresh, home-made. There's nothing frozen or pre-done. It's all from scratch."

The business has also created an additional seven jobs.

"What Port Colborne needs is a full-blown bakery," DeFazio said, happy to fill that void. "People have been crying for a good bakery here for a long time."

Residents have been so eager to take a peek inside that in the month leading

up to the opening, while the business was undergoing renovations, many walked inside hoping it was open.

"We had to start locking the door," she said with a laugh. "I've been waiting for this for a long time," she said.

She's already been planning the future of the business, including opening a 120-person banquet hall at the back for various events.

To celebrate the opening of Just Baked, free coffee and cupcakes were handed out Saturday. There will also be a ribbon-cutting ceremony and live entertainment by Sarah Bolton.



MADYAMME FIRTH / STAGE PHOTO

On Saturday, Fay DeFazio is set to open Just Baked, a new bakery and ice cream shop at 517 King St. in Port Colborne.

**■ FIRE**



ALLAN BENNETT/ADAM AGENCY/NINGBO

Wainfleet firefighters were joined by firefighters from Haldimand and Port Colborne to battle a large barn fire on Case Rd. in Wainfleet on Monday.

## Police help euthanize animals

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\*This was done at the request and under the direction of the veterinarian for the suffering animals," he said.

Tanker trucks from Haldimand and Wainfleet fire departments trucked in water from the Wainfleet Arena to extinguish the flames, while the aerial truck from Port Colborne sprayed the remains of

the fire from above.

While equipment from neighbouring communities left after the fire was largely extinguished at about 3 p.m., Wainfleet firefighters remained at the scene for several more hours.

The total loss has yet to be determined.

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■ EDUCATION: Skilled trades

# South Niagara students among Canada's best

ALLAN BENNER  
QMI Agency Niagara

South Niagara is home to three of the top student tradesmen in the country.

South of High School Grade 11 student Eli Schonewille claimed gold for welding and Grade 12 E.L. Crossley student Travis Gabryelski earned gold in the Skills Canada welding competition in Toronto this month.

In addition to the gold medals winners, Alex Hoelzli, a Grade 12 student at Notre Dame College School studying precision machining at Lakeshore Catholic High School, won silver for his prowess at machining at the competition, June 4 to 7 at the Mississauga Convention Centre.

And the local students shared each other's enthusiasm as they beat the best of the best from across the country.

"When Eli's name was announced for first place, we both actually jumped up and I congratulated him right away on his medal," Gabryelski said. "And he did the same for me when they called me up for my medal."

Gabryelski said he faced some difficult challenges during the competition, including electrical receptacles, a baseboard heater, lighting and smoke detector installations.

"We saw pretty much anything you would see in a typical residential house," he said.

Schonewille said the welding com-

petition consisted of building two metal boxes using various welding techniques while carefully following blueprints.

Despite the tough competition, Schonewille said he "focused on the project at hand" rather than worrying about the other students.

His teacher, Vic Barker, said the competition was so close amongst the young welders "I didn't know until the last second he was winning."

Barker said Schonewille spent the month between the provincial and national competitions working hard to enhance his skills with the help of Niagara College faculty.

Crossley principal Ed Goerzen said he was extremely proud of the local competitors, particularly his own student.

"It's an outstanding accomplishment," he said.

"It's nice to see the technical areas being recognized. Once we used to only focus on academics and sports and this is something that's relatively new for the Ontario school system is that we've raised the technical areas to a higher profile."

While Schonewille has another year to go before graduation and plans to compete again in 2015, Gabryelski said he is currently working as a second-year apprentice with BCR Electric, and plans to return to work in July.

When his training is complete, Gabryelski is confident he will have a

job waiting for him.

"There's a pretty big need for trades," he said, adding the company he's working with has had difficulty finding qualified electricians to meet the demand.

"They're saying there are a lot of people out of work, but we can't find anyone who doesn't have a job," he said.

The students are the most recent winners produced by the local schools in the past few years at the national level. Goerzen said Crossley's shop teacher Mark Demers has had "an outstanding run" of recent Skills Competition champions.

"Obviously they're thrilled and very proud. I know Mark (Demers) is a modest guy, and he's not one to toot his own horn, but he's really proud of the kids' achievements."

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Port Colborne High School student Eli Schonewille and Travis Gabryelski from E.L. Crossley both earned gold medals at the Skills Canada National Competition that wrapped up in Toronto last weekend.

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## Thinking about loving yourself

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**T**he Olympian Silken Laumann spoke last month at the Roselawn Centre. She had won silver, gold and bronze medals in solo rowing.

The bronze medal made her famous because an accident had damaged her leg not long before the Barcelona Olympics. Her determination to keep training during her healing and then actually coming back made her story viral.

At Roselawn she was talking about her book, *Unsinkable*. It was more than an account of her Olympian triumphs. It was about overcoming her quite traumatic childhood and coping with life after her rowing career. One of her messages was that she had to learn to love herself.

In the question period a discerning listener asked what did she mean by loving herself. After all, loving yourself can become narcissistic. Loving yourself can become love turning in on oneself with no outgoing love for anyone else.

Laumann answered that loving yourself meant accepting yourself and realizing that you are a person of worth. Her childhood experience had impressed on her that she was not wanted, and that she was unwelcome, bad and unacceptable. She had long experienced times of self-loathing, despite her athletic successes. Now by age 48 she had learned to accept herself and to believe that she was a worthwhile human being.

There is a lot of good common sense in her book. Being positive and focusing on your goal make a great deal of sense. Her acknowledgment of a mysterious power that helped

to heal her terrible leg injury makes sense to the Christian, whose God is the Lord your healer (Romans 15:26).

But what was we to make of the seemingly negative Christian doctrine that if we have sinned and come short of the glory of God (Romans 3:23)? Admitting that I am a sinner means, not just that I have sometimes done wrong, but above all that I have come short of the glory of God. I need to turn away from wrong-doing by repenting. But then I need to work at living for the glory of God.

God's second great commandment is to love your neighbor as yourself. Accepting yourself as you are and yet striving for God's glory are both good, because they open the way for loving your neighbor.

We may think that loving your neighbor is nonsense, because there is no way that I'm going to have a romantic relationship

with so-and-so. But in Leviticus 19 the commandment to love your neighbor is not about romance. It's all about being helpful: giving to the poor (not gleaming), not stealing, not bawling, not hating, not taking vengeance, not committing adultery, honoring the aged, having just measurements and weights.

In Luke 10 the Good Samaritan was helpful to the injured victim on the Jericho road. He poured wine on his wounds to wash them out and oil to help them heal. He put the man on his own donkey and took him to inn, where he paid for his care in advance.

Christ told the parable of the Good Samaritan to illustrate what the second great commandment means. And the lawyer who questioned him described what the Samaritan did as showing mercy. And showing mercy sums up what it means to love your neighbor as yourself.

## Tory prostitution bill legislates morality

**C**anada's prostitution debate isn't really about prostitution. It's about whether we want to be passing bills legislating morality.

The old fashioned answer was yes. It's not so clear anymore. That's a good thing. Earlier this month, Justice Minister Peter MacKay tabled Bill C-36 in response to the Supreme Court's December decision knocking down prostitution laws.

Laws against operating a bawdy house, living off the avails of prostitution and communicating in public with clients were deemed harmful to sex workers. The government had a year to come up with new ones.

While some hoped the Conservatives would go more hands off with sex commerce, the provisions in the new bill only tighten the government's grasp.

"Today our government is making prostitution illegal for the first time," MacKay said. But the bill, as NDP Leader Thomas Mulcair said, "simply muddles the waters."

It outright criminalizes purchasing sex.



**ANTHONY FUREY**

It's a version of the Nordic model — shifting criminality from the sex seller to buyer. It's hard to see, as some sex workers have argued, how criminalizing half their line of work brings them out of the darkness.

It also "prohibits receiving a material benefit that derived from the commission of an offence," bans advertising sex services and communicating about it in public or somewhere "that is or is next to a place where persons under the age of 18 can reasonably be expected to be present."

Just imagine the judicial interpretation that'll go into wading through that last one.

The best part of the news isn't even in the

actual bill. MacKay announced \$20 million to help sex workers exit their field. Few would disagree that where the government does have a role in prostitution is in helping those who don't want to be there.

The funding should be focused on connecting with those who were forced into prostitution either by pimp or to fuel their addiction.

But the text of the bill lumps all degrees of prostitution together — ranging from the otherwise safe and law-abiding sex worker field to those who are victims of human trafficking and child prostitution.

This should cause no surprise. The bill's preamble makes it clear that the government's first aim is to end "the exploitation that is inherent in prostitution" and "the social harm caused by the objectification of the human body and the commodification of sexual activity." They're clear that "It is important to protect human dignity."

Well it's not exactly difficult to apply this language to the percentage doing it by choice. It's condescending.

It's clear this bill is really about making

moral judgments. Plain and simple. Rescuing the exploited is not the first priority.

In a recent column, I wrote about a group of radical feminists who uncharacteristically sided with social conservatives in viewing prostitution as inherently wrong and violent against women. It fit in with their ideas of patriarchy and male privilege.

But another group called the Feminist Coalition disagrees. They're against the Nordic model and in their affidavit to get intervenor status in the SCC case, called for "full human and labour rights for sex workers."

In other words, a job's a job and let's not make second-class citizens out of people who choose this line of work.

If you instead view the matter through the prism of consent and personal liberty it becomes much clearer: Trading money for sex between consenting adults? Keep the government out of it. Trafficking? Involving children? No way. Bring down the full force of the law. It's a shame the government fails to draw this needed line.

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## ■ EDUCATION: DSBN

## Board budget preserves, adds programs

DON FRASER  
QMI Agency Niagara

Public school trustees passed a \$431.4-million budget last Tuesday that supports existing programs and kicks in some new ones.

"All programs and services we have been operating this past school year will continue," District School Board of Niagara finance committee chair Dalt Clark told trustees.

"I think it's a very good budget ... one that will enhance our system over the next year."

Trustees unanimously passed a balanced 2014-15 budget that completes the rollout of full-day kindergarten and boosts some student supports.

It includes more than \$1.2 million in special education enhancements, part of four years of new special education funding from the provincial education ministry.

The budget also increases funding for student and teacher skills in numeracy, and pumps in about \$200,000 for students to use the Dreambox interactive math program to provide math qualification course upgrades for teachers.

That addition comes in the wake of poor math results DSBN and other provincial board students have shown recently in standardized provincial testing.

The budget also folds in \$1.7 million from the ministry for full-day kindergarten at the DSBN's 15 remaining school sites.

In total, it is an increase from last year's \$417.6-million budget, or about \$13.8 million more and includes about \$4.7 million in accumulated surplus, or reserves.

Clark said the surplus spending weaves in with increased provincial funding for special education over four years to DSBN that will likely make the effect at least revenue-neutral to the board budget.

"I believe (using the surplus) is very much sustainable," he said. "We have always been very conservative in terms of our budget income and ... the last four or five years, we've always had a budgeting surplus."

Trustee Alex Bradman noted there are many school boards across the province struggling to balance their budgets.

"With a little help from our reserves ... we're able to make major renovations, build two new schools (Twenty Valley and Harriet Tubman) and enhance our curriculum," he said.

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## ■ PORT COLBORNE CITY COUNCIL

# Consultant to be hired for Port culture plan

**MARYANNE FIRTH**  
QMI Agency Niagara

Port Colborne intends to hire a consultant to help culture in the community thrive.

City staff were directed by council last Monday night to prepare a request for proposal to bring in the necessary expertise for creation of a cultural

strategic plan.

About a year ago Ward 2 Coun. Angie Desmarais brought forth a motion requesting a plan be created by a committee of community members.

"I'm still of the opinion we may be able to do without a consultant," Desmarais said last Monday, but that may require "a lot of resources from staff

and committee members."

"Perhaps, a consultant is the way to go," she said, while adding the city must be "careful to keep costs down as low as possible."

In March, council committed \$25,000 toward development of the plan, but staff feel it's not a sufficient amount to hire a qualified arts and culture consultant.

To further help cover the cost, Port Colborne has part-

nered with Friends of Roselawn.

The organizations hope to work together to successfully apply for grants and other funding opportunities.

An arts and culture plan for Port Colborne is "really an economic development plan, too," Ward 4 Coun. Ron Bodner said.

"This is a big deal. This is a generator of jobs and economic development for the city," he

said.

"A lot of people are interested in having this in the community. I think it's timely and something we need to move on right away."

Council also approved the creation of a committee of citizen advisors who, led by the consultant, will help to formulate the plan.

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## ■ AWARDS

# Women in business honours best, brightest

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A food truck and social-media innovator got top honours at the Women in Business Awards.

Tamara Jensen of the El Gastronomo Vagabundo truck in St. Catharines took home the emerging business award at the White Oaks luncheon in Niagara-on-the-Lake last Friday.

Jensen, 32, was among five to receive awards at the 14th annual Greater Niagara Chamber of Commerce and Women in Niagara council event sponsored by PenFinancial Credit Union.

Jensen runs the mobile gourmet-food truck with husband Adam Hynam-Smith. She's been a stalwart in promoting El Gastronomo through social media, with more 7,850 followers on their Twitter @elgastro.

The entrepreneur is now consulting with digital design and development firm Form & Affect in St. Catharines. She also sits on the leadership committee of Startup Niagara, an entrepreneur-led group for Niagara's startup business community and entrepreneurs.

"It came out of the blue — I was completely shocked to be nominated," said Jensen, who was born north of Toronto, and moved to Niagara from Ottawa in 2009 with husband and Australian native Hynam-Smith.

"The Women in Niagara council (of the chamber) do a phenomenal job of supporting women in business in the region," she

said. Jensen said her business is a collaboration with her husband and a "team" venture.

"But being recognized as an individual, let alone as a woman, is a special thing to me as well," Jensen said.

Winners of this year's awards were selected from 20 regional finalists.

The community spirit award was won by Elisabeth Zimmermann, executive director of YMCA Niagara Region.

Leanne Standryk of Lancaster, Brooks and Welch law firm won the business leadership award.

Debra Inglis, director of Brock University's Cool Climate Oenology and Viticulture Institute, won for excellence in science, innovation and technology.

The afternoon included the presentation of a lifetime achievement award to Sheryl Wherry, vice-president of corporate governance at Meridian Credit Union.

Wherry was recognized for her business success in Niagara and her community leadership.

"This is a celebration of the diversity and success of women in the Niagara business community," said Walter Sendzik, CEO of the Greater Niagara chamber.

"It lets us continue to showcase the wonderful achievements of women who are working so hard to be so successful in their careers and businesses."

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## ■ SOCIAL MEDIA

### Online viewers caught in shock and awe of results

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Social media response poured in as QMI Agency Niagara reached out with livestreaming, Facebook and Twitter last Thursday in its election coverage.

After it was clear the Liberals would form a majority government, comments like "gobsmacked" "just-wow" and if you're a Liberal, expressions of unadulterated joy dominated posts that were expectedly mainly partisan.

There was some sense early on in the campaign that voters felt a decided lack of enthusiasm this time around with candidates. Some described a "nose-holding" when casting their ballots.

"I just voted," said one posting on our ScribbleLive, well before the results came in. "I voted for a candidate instead of spoiling, declining or doing the unmarked ballot."

"It has been the most difficult decision making in all the years I've been voting. It came down to voting for a party that would cause the least amount of dam-

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A QMI Agency Niagara website commentator appreciated the generational continuity of the electoral process. Marta Baczynska Liddiard said she "brought the kids with me to vote today."

"They are all very interested in the process and ask great questions."

Meanwhile, Facebook comments were typically colourful and blunt — here are some abbreviated ones:

Amanda Honz, "Lovely!"

Amie Lessard, "I don't want to live here anymore."

Chris Knutt, "This is shocking and upsetting."

Dianne Morris, "The voter has spoken! Now if the Conservative party would read the message on the wall, they would change their leader."

Char Spinosa, "Inasane! No way!"  
Tracey Lynn, "The Darwin award goes

But the final word goes to The

But the final word goes to the Tribune's multimedia reporter Dan Dakin.


He reminded us that what happened in the province is a profoundly important expression of democracy, and one many Cana-

dians have died to preserve.

"I love that my polling station is at a legion," Dakin tweeted. "It's a great reminder of why we're able

to vote."

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# LOCAL NEWS

## Deep south choir



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New Horizons, a Georgia youth choir, held an impromptu performance at Port Colborne city council last Monday night. The group, including 24 youths in grades 6 to 12 and nine chaperons, is on a tour across the United States. Niagara was their only Canadian stop with three performances in Port Colborne and a visit to Niagara Falls.

## Thank you!

Well, the election is over and I'd like to thank all of you who supported and helped me along the way. It was an interesting experience and I enjoyed the interaction with voters and the other candidates.

The "competition" of the election is now over and we have a decisive winner, Cindy Forster. I wish her the best and look forward to working with her on several issues affecting our community. In particular, we will face new challenges as we work to save our hospitals. I remain dedicated to preserving our hospitals in South Niagara and am sure that municipal & provincial representatives will work together on this and other important issues.

*Thanks to everyone who took the time to get out & vote*

*Frank Campion*

## Merci! - Grazie!

■ **ENVIRONMENT:** Canadian shippers say they'll be hurt by new U.S. rules

## Great Lakes ballast battle goes international

DON FRASER  
QMI Agency Niagara

Canadian efforts to make U.S. ballast regulations more uniform are sailing into friendlier political waters south of the border.

At issue are Environmental Protection Agency measures that were enacted there this year. They will demand the use of strict ballast water treatment systems, to limit the spread of aquatic invasive species.

Canadian fleet operators say currently, there are no systems available for use on the freshwater Great Lakes that could meet the EPA's stringent rules.

Without updated technology, that could block domestic carriers from crossing American waters along the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence. That would effectively shut down water trade there for non-compliant ships.

There are treatment system exemptions being offered by the EPA. However, opponents of the new ballast regulations say at least half the Canadian fleet would not be eligible, while a large majority of the U.S. fleet would be exempted.

In late April, a statement from St. Catharines MP Rick Dykstra said 11 U.S. Congress members added their support to a bipartisan letter to the EPA raising the issue of recent ballast water regulations that are discriminatory to the Canadian flagged fleet.

The issue was also brought up at a Congressional hearing. Greg Wright of Algoma Central Corp. is blunt about the issue.

"It is very problematic," said Wright, CEO and president of the St. Catharines-based firm that operates a large fleet of domestic dry-bulk and product tankers.

"There's no ballast water equipment currently available which we could install that would be approved or work."

Wright said while the U.S. ballast water regulations are now in place, "you don't have to install new equipment until the next dry-docking cycle... for all of our ships, that's a couple of years away."

He said if the ballast-cleaning equipment does become avail-

able, its expensive installation would be mandatory and burdensome.

He also spoke to what he sees as a lack of fairness in the rules as they apply to the American fleet, adding it's a competitive issue.

"We compete with the U.S. fleet and they're being exempted."

Dykstra agrees, saying work on the file indicates the EPA has "used the environment to make an economic decision."

"It's clear that if the EPA is truly concerned about ballast water issues, they wouldn't have exempted American ships built before 2009 (and solely operating west of Anticosti Island)... that have terrible emission controls," said Dykstra.

"It is a case where they are coming after Canadian ships only."

Dykstra added: "I think we are making progress."

"I've been to Washington D.C. (many times) on this issue now — we have both senators and congressional representatives engaged in the process. They understand the difficulties we will face and also the impact this could have on U.S. companies that use Canadian vessels to move their product."

In a followup interview last week, Dykstra said the efforts are gathering momentum and involve both Democratic and Republican lawmakers in the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate.

One letter has been sent to the EPA asking it to "clarify exactly why they took the position they did, and 11 congressmen signed that letter."

Earlier this month, a Canada-U.S. interparliamentary committee, of which Dykstra is vice-chair, met in Ottawa with four congressmen and five senators attending.

Dykstra said a panel discussion was held on the ballast-water issue "and all five of them... in a bipartisan way have agreed to follow-up" including possible legislation that could "correct the decision the EPA made."

The ballast file has been on ongoing saga that has been a political football in the U.S.

In 2012, New York state said it will pursue a national standard for ballast water rules, instead of an earlier proposal that would have imposed standards far higher than International Maritime Organization rules that had governed the cleaning of ships' ballast water.

That change in position followed backlash from the St. Lawrence Great Lakes maritime industry over the possible rule changes that would shut down the system.

Critics then also charged the proposed rules could have stopped shipping traffic through the St. Lawrence Seaway in New York waters because the technology isn't there to meet the standard.

The state said it would still continue to lobby for higher standards.

"This is an important issue for our ship owner members," said Stephen Brooks, president of the Ottawa-based Chamber of Marine Commerce, which describes itself as the voice of the commercial marine industry.

"It's about the impossibility of meeting regulations with no technology existing to meet them. It's also an issue for the chamber's shipper members — large industrial companies that ultimately have to pay for these systems if and when they're eventually available."

He said estimates now are indicate those systems could possibly cost more than \$4 million apiece "and won't substantially add any greater protection to the Great Lakes than what's in place now."

"It's a real dilemma and a conundrum," Brooks said.

Wright said the other unknown is how the federal government will roll out future ballast rules. It's his opinion that any regulations should be achievable and consistent in Canada and the U.S.

"There must be a science-based reason why Great Lakes vessels that don't sail into the ocean would require new ballast equipment," he said.

"And that debate is now ongoing with the Canadian government."



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Feature Documentary  
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Thursday, June 19, 9:45 PM  
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## FRIDAY, JUNE 20

### A KIND OF WONDERFUL THING

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Feature Documentary  
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### THE NIGHTINGALE

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## Port crash sends one to hospital

A two-vehicle crash in Port Colborne last Tuesday sent one person to hospital.

At about 4:30 p.m., Niagara Regional Police, Port Colborne Fire and Emergency Services and Niagara EMS responded to a collision at the intersection of Clarence and Catharine Sts. Two vehicles collided causing one

to leave the roadway, roll on its side and come to rest in a nearby park area.

The driver of the rolled vehicle was taken to Welland hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

Police estimated the damage at about \$20,000.

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However, it doesn't take long before we quickly remember that along with the summer heat comes the return of mosquitoes, spiders, and ticks. In Ontario, most residents are well informed about the illnesses mosquitoes can spread and ways of preventing yourself. But how informed are we about ticks?

There are many different species of ticks; however, the one that is of concern is the blacklegged tick, also known as the deer tick. This sesame seed sized tick can be the host to the bacteria that can cause Lyme disease, which, if untreated, can result in arthritis, heart problems, and various nervous system problems. The American brown dog tick is approximately half a centimeter and has not been shown to carry Lyme disease.

The Niagara region has a high concentration of ticks, especially in the areas surrounding Lake Erie. The Niagara Health Department recommends wearing pants and long sleeved shirts when walking in wooded areas to minimize the chances of a tick bite.

If you notice a tick has attached to your skin, it should be removed immediately by grabbing the head with a pair of tweezers and pulling straight up. Do not try to burn the tick off with the skin using a match or lighter. The area should be then washed with soap and water. If you are unable to remove the entire tick, you should give your doctor a call and they can remove it for you. The tick can be brought to the health department for analysis to see if it was infected with the bacteria that causes Lyme disease.

Ticks often pick up the bacteria that cause Lyme disease while feeding on infected rodents. However, it should be noted that most ticks are not carriers.

The majority of people who are bitten by ticks do not develop Lyme disease, however if you notice a red bulls-eye rash on the skin, develop a fever, headache or muscle and joint pains, you should seek medical attention. The symptoms typically develop within 1 to 2 weeks of a bite. Lyme disease can often be cured with antibiotics if treatment is started early.

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### Winning ticket sold in Welland

A winning \$1 million

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## Merritt adds legacy to new school name

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St. Catharines' newest merged elementary school will be named for Welland Canal brainchild William Hamilton Merritt.

District School Board of Niagara trustees voted last Tuesday to bestow the title to the former Sheridan Park School site on Linwell Rd. in the city's north end.

It was among three options presented that included Canal Parklands and Frederick Fisher.

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Meadowvale School on Cecil St., which is closing after a recent school review and vote by trustees.

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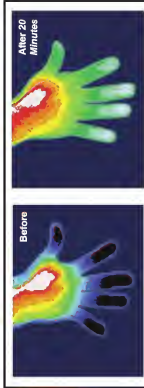
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